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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

Docket Number DARS-2013-0010

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition

Regulation Supplement (DFARS); DoD Pilot Mentor-Protégé Program

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of

Defense (DoD)

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has

approved this information collection for use through August 31, 2013. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use for three additional years beyond the current expiration date.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by [Insert date 60 days after date of publication in the Federal Register].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0704-0332, using any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

E-mail: dfars@osd.mil. Include OMB Control Number 0704-0441 in the subject line of the message.

Fax: 571-372-6094.

Mail: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Attn: Ms. Lee Renna, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DARS), 3060 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B855, Washington, DC 20301-3060.

Comments received generally will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lee Renna,

571-372-6095. The information collection requirements addressed in this notice are available on the World Wide Web at:

http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/dfarspgi/current/index.html.

Paper copies are available from Ms. Lee Renna,
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

<u>Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number</u>: Defense Federal

Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS), Appendix I, DoD Pilot

Mentor-Protege Program; OMB Control Number 0704-0332.

Needs and Uses: DoD needs this information to evaluate whether the purposes of the DoD Pilot Mentor-Protege Program have been met. The purposes of the Program are to (1) provide incentives to major DoD contractors to assist protege firms in enhancing their capabilities to satisfy contract and subcontract requirements; (2) increase the overall participation of protege firms as subcontractors and suppliers; and (3) foster the establishment of long-term business relationships between protege firms and major DoD contractors. This Program implements Section 831 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991 (Public Law 101-510) and Section 811 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (Public Law 106-65) (10 U.S.C. 2302 note). Participation in the Program is voluntary.

<u>Affected Public</u>: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 115

Responses Per Respondent: 1.96

Annual Responses: 225

Average Burden Per Response: Approximately 1 hour.

Annual Burden Hours for Responses: 225

Total Recordkeeping Hours: 357

Annual Burden Hours: 582

Frequency: Semiannually (mentor); Annually (protégé).

Summary of Information Collection

DFARS Appendix I-112.2(a)-(d) requires mentor firms to report on the progress made under active mentor-protege agreements semiannually for the periods ending March 31st and September 30th. The September 30th report must address the entire fiscal year. Reports must include—

- (1) Data on performance under the mentor-protege agreement, including dollars obligated, expenditures, credit taken under the Program, applicable subcontract awards under DoD contracts, developmental assistance provided, impact of the agreement, and progress of the agreement; and
- (2) For each contract where developmental assistance was credited toward an SDB subcontracting goal, a copy of the Individual Subcontracting Report (ISR) or SF 294, and/or the Summary Subcontracting Report (SSR) or SF 295, with a statement identifying—
- (i) The amount of dollars credited to the applicable subcontracting goal as a result of developmental assistance provided to protege firms under the Program; and

(ii) The number and dollar value of subcontracts awarded to

the protege firm(s), broken out per protege.

DFARS Appendix I-112.2(e) requires the protege firm to

annually provide data by October 31st on the progress made by the

protege firm in employment, revenues, and participation in DoD

contracts during each fiscal year of the Program participation

term and each of the two fiscal years following the expiration

of the Program participation term. During the Program

participation term, the firms may provide this data as part of

the mentor report required by I-112.2(a) for the period ending

September 30th.

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